



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Ioniucescu et al. ) Examiner: P. Kumar  
 Serial No.: 10/722,142 ) Art Unit: 1751  
 Filed: November 24, 2003 ) Confirmation No.: 4675  
 Title: Fixation Method for Bioprosthesis ) Deposit Account: 04-1403  
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**AMENDMENT**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims <u>17</u>	Minus <u>46</u>	= <u>0</u> X \$50 =	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Independent Claims <u>2</u>	Minus <u>5</u>	= <u>0</u> x \$200 =	\$ <u>0.00</u>
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Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2006, with regard to the above-captioned application, please find attached hereto:

**Amendments to the Claims** reflected in the complete listing of the Claims beginning on page 2, and

**Remarks** beginning on page 5.